



#### STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

# OFFICE OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER

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## Minutes of July 10, 2017 State Board of Elections Meeting

**Members Present:** 

Mr. Chambers, [R]-Wilmington

Ms. Colon [D]-Wilmington

Mr. Pasquale, [D]-New Castle County

Mrs. Pugh, [D]-Sussex County Mrs. Sandstrom, [D]-Kent County Mrs. Tatman, [R]-Sussex County Dr. Warfield, [R]-Kent County

Mrs. Williams-Mayo [D]-New Castle County, At-Large

Staff Present:

Mrs. Manlove, State Election Commissioner

Mr. Albence, County Director, New Castle County Office Mr. Greig, Deputy County Director, Kent County Office Mr. McDowell, County Director, Sussex County Office

Mr. Sholl, Deputy County Director, New Castle County Office Mrs. Turner, Deputy County Director, Sussex County Office (by

phone)

Mrs. Young, Director, Kent County Office

Public Present:

Randall Chase, AP

James Dawson, Delaware Public Media

- 1. Mr. Pasquale called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.
- 2. Mr. Pasquale appointed Mr. Chambers as Acting Secretary for the meeting.
- 3. Mrs. Pugh moved and Mr. Chambers seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2017, meeting, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the current financial status of the Department and an update on the Department's appropriation per the FY2018 state budget.
- 5. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the current statewide voter registration totals. The total number of registered voters in the State as of July 1, 2017 was 680,946.
- 6. Commissioner Manlove provided a summary of upcoming elections and the Department's upcoming outreach activities.

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- 7. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of the website statistics of the Department, including visits to the State Election Commissioner and county office websites, provided via the Google Analytics program.
- 8. Commissioner Manlove provided a recap of legislation acted upon during the recently completed session of the current General Assembly. A summary of legislation and its current status was provided in the report to Board members.
- 9. Commissioner Manlove provided a summary of Voter Registration transactions for through June 30, 2017, by type and source.
- 10. Commissioner Manlove provided an update on the work of the Voting Machine Task Force. To date, the committee has met with various voting equipment vendors to view products currently available. The next step will include the drafting of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the purchase of the voting equipment. The next Task Force meeting will be scheduled for August.

## 11. OLD BUSINESS:

None

### 12. NEW BUSINESS:

- Commissioner Manlove updated the Board regarding the rationale behind the decision to not comply with the request for voter registration information from the federal Presidential Commission on Election Integrity.
- Commissioner Manlove updated the Board regarding a planned policy change (and proposed Delaware Code updates) that would restrict the Department's release of voter registration information only to declared candidates and political parties.
- Mrs. Pugh moved and Mrs. Sandstrom seconded a motion expressing a vote of confidence in the Commissioner decision regarding the request of the Commission and regarding the planned policy and proposed Code changes.
- 13. Mr. Chambers moved and Mrs. Pugh seconded a motion to approve the removals as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
- 14. Mrs. Pugh moved and Mrs. Williams-Mayo seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

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Respectfully submitted,

James A. Sterling III

Secretary

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2017** 

**LOCATION: OFFICE OF THE STATE ELECTION COMMISSIONER, 905 S.** 

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